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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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3 April 1945

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Mr. C. Hamilton, D.

Mr. Joseph R. Holohan
250 Maple Street
Brooklyn, New York

Dear Mr. Holohan:

I was indeed very sorry to learn that your brother, Major Holohan, has been reported missing in action as a result of operations against the enemy in northern Italy. Please accept the sincere regrets of myself and your brother's other associates in this agency.

Although we have not received any information in addition to that which the War Department sent you, and which you recently discussed with Mr. O'Neil of our New York Office, we here have not given up hope that your brother is alive and well. It is possible that he may have been picked up by friendly partisan forces operating in that section of Italy.

I know you fully appreciate the desirability of not discussing with others the information contained in this letter or the War Department letter of notification. You may rely on this agency to do all that it possibly can to locate your brother.

I had the opportunity on two or three occasions of spending several days at a time with your brother at the front. I would like you to know the admiration and respect in which he was held by his brother officers both senior and junior in his Command.

Should we receive any further information, we will contact you immediately.

Respectfully,

William J. Donovan
Major General, USA
Director

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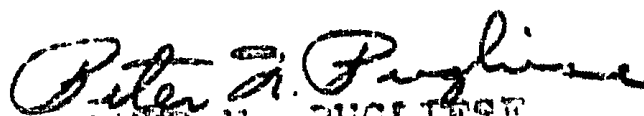
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Date 26 March 1945

To: General William J. Donovan

Attached for your approval and signature is proposed reply to Mr. Hogeman's inquiry as to whether he and his wife should address mail to their son, Captain Howard, via ~~the~~ APO or the OSS post office address: P.O. Box #2601.


PETER F. PUGLIESE
1st Lieut., AUS

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Office of the Secretariat

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Lt. Peter Pugliese
FROM : Security Office
SUBJECT: Capt. William V. Holohan

DATE: 28 March 1945

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In accordance with your request I enclose the attached memorandum covering conversation of New York Security Officer with Subject's brother which is self explanatory.

A. van Beuren
A. van Beuren
Security Officer

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DATE: 22 March, 1945

TO : Mr. Archibald van Buren

FROM : R. W. O'Neill

SUBJECT: CAPTAIN WILLIAM V. HOLOHAN

On March 14th, I contacted Mr. Joseph R. Holohan and advised him that under no circumstances to discuss the communication he had received from the Adjutant General's Office. At that time he said he was afraid he had discussed it with several people, but was so upset he could not decide whom. He also advised me he had received an official communication from Colonel Glavin on March 8th, dated February 22nd, and postmarked Rome, March 4th, advising him that his brother, Captain William V. Holohan was missing from a military expedition behind the enemy lines. I requested Mr. Holohan to get in touch with me just as soon as he had made up his mind as to the people he had discussed the AGO communication with. Today Mr. Holohan visited this office by request. He said he had discussed and shown the AGO communication received on February 22nd, to members of his family and one or two intimate friends. He had also written to his aunt in Washington D.C. Since talking to me on March 14th, he had contacted those whom he had discussed the communication with, requesting them that under no circumstances were they to discuss or divulge the information he had given them.

A Mr. Peter A. Brady, of 1721 Rhode Island Avenue, Washington D.C. was the aunt to whom he had written. She in turn had notified a family friend, Samuel Halchenfeld, Professor of Economics at the Catholic University, Washington, D.C., and Supreme Court Justice Douglas, also a family friend. Mr. Holohan advised me that his aunt had written to him that she was going to try to find out details as to the missing Captain. Mr. Holohan gave me this information in case the name of Mr. Peter Brady came to your attention through official channels. Mr. Holohan wrote his aunt several days ago requesting her to do all she could and forget about the matter until she heard further from him.

Is there anything further you wish to do on this matter?

R/W

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ORA FORM 40014

Date March 9, 1949To: GENERAL DONOVAN

Attached is the explanation
 of cable # 36464 from Caserta,
 and, also a brief sketch of
 the Major concerned.

*By telephone
 has been
 interpreted that
 had a letter to
 him*

*Office of the Secretary
 of Defense*

(0110)

SECRET
OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

8 March 1946

TC: Mrs. Frances Jenks - Director's Office
FROM: Captain Harrison T. Barrow *T*
SUBJECT: Major William Holohan

1. On 28 February 1945, this office received an airpouch from Captain Landrum of Caserta through the Director's office which was concerned with the MIA status of Major William Holohan. It was found that the question of operational security was not mentioned. The airpouch was held by this office until an answer was received from the field saying that security did exist. The War Department was then notified through Headquarters, OSS. At this time it was learned that on 24 February, Major Holohan's brother in Brooklyn, New York was notified of the Missing in Action status through War Department channels.
2. Under the provisions of General Order #54, Major Holohan's casualty report was very badly mishandled. First, this office received no cable from the field denoting Major Holohan's status. Secondly, no indication of the fact that operational security existed was given to either the War Department or OSS.
3. At a conference between Lt. Pugliese, Mr. Sexton, Captain Bennett and the undersigned, it was agreed that the Security Office in Washington should get in touch with Major Holohan's brother and salvage as much security as possible.
4. Incidentally, this office has received no official notification of the status of members of the "Dawes" mission.

Harrison T. Barrow
HARRISON T. BARROW
Captain, Ord.
Asst. Operations Officer, ESO

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8 March 1945

TO: Mrs. Frances Jenks
223 Administration Building

FROM: Captain H. T. Barrow

SUBJECT: Major Wm. V. Holohan

1. The following are the circumstances surrounding the disappearance of Major William V. Holohan:

"An American mission, composed of volunteers and headed by Major William V. Holohan, Cavalry, 0318094, operated in German-occupied Italy. On the night of 6-7 December 1944, while the mission was effecting a move to a place of refuge in northern Italy, it was suddenly attacked. In the battle which ensued, the mission fought back and then scattered. When they reunited, at a prearranged locality, Major Holohan was missing. Searches carried out on the days following the incident have not revealed his whereabouts or his fate."

HARRISON T. BARROW
Captain, Ord.
Asst. Operations Officer

Form 69 (Revised)

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

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DATE MARCH 4, 1945

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#36464. 622 FOR GLAVIN TO EUBANK. RE YOUR #2684. (OUT 5363).

Operational security involved in leaving of Richmond

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Richard O'Neil

W. J. Thomas

TOR: 1459

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Howard, Capt
x Hegeman, John

26 March 1948

Mr. John G. Hegeman
Hegeman-Harris Company, Inc.
Builders and Engineers
331 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Hegeman:

In reply to your recent letter regarding your son Captain Howard, I would suggest that you continue to forward letters to him through the APO. I asked our Secretariat to look into the possibility of your using the address: P.O. Box #2601, and was informed that overseas mail coming to that address is readdressed and forwarded through the Army Post Office.

With best wishes for a successful trip to South America, I remain

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan
Director

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HEGEMAN - HARRIS COMPANY
 INC.
 BUILDERS AND ENGINEERS
 331 MADISON AVENUE
 NEW YORK, N. Y.
 TELEPHONE MURRAY HILL 2-6882

March 15th, 1945.

My dear General William J. Donovan,
 Office of Strategic Services,
 Washington,
 D. C.

Dear General:-

Mrs. Hegeman and I both appreciate to the utmost your very kind letter of March 8th regarding her son, Captain Lee P. Howard of the Signal Corps.

I would, first, wish to correct a statement in my previous letter to you of March 6th, namely, that he had left by aeroplane on July 11th. He left by plane on July 1st and the last heard was a letter from England dated July 11th, stating that his contemplated work would be even more interesting than he had thought.

I am glad to know that we have a mutual friend in my old golfing partner, Pete Rathvon. I know that we have a further mutual friend in Mr. Ralph Bard who, as a matter of fact, has known Mrs. Hegeman longer than I have, the acquaintance going back to the time when Mr. Bard was at Princeton.

I thank you for the inquiry that was indicated by you last November, as well as in this current case.

If there is any information that your personnel officer might feel at liberty to disclose in view of the good inquiry that he is making at your request, he does to say we will be more than glad to receive it.

At the request of his mother, may I ask one more question? Mrs. Hegeman and I are planning to leave for South America on April 2nd. Before Captain Howard left he stated that in case his mother desired to save time, he could address her letters to

Major General William J. Donovan

3/15/45.

Post Office Box #. 601, Washington, D. C., rather than to use the A.P.O. number, 413. To know that her letters are going through to her son as freely as possible would relieve her mind somewhat. The question is, therefore, which would be better to use, the Post Office Box address or the A.P.O. number.

again we both wish to thank you for your efforts in our behalf and for your very prompt reply to our inquiry.

Yours sincerely,

Walter D. Byrd

JCH:EAM

8 March 1946

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Howard, Lee P.
Hegeman

Mr. John C. Hegeman
Hegeman-Harris Company, Inc.
Builders and Engineers
331 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Hegeman:

I have your letter of 8 March 1945 inquiring as to the health and well being of your step-son, Captain Lee P. Howard.

I was sorry to hear that he has not communicated with you or his mother since he left this country. In November 1944 we sent an inquiry to the field at the request of Mr. N. Peter Rathvon. The reply received in December stated that your step-son was well and that he had been informed of the fact that his parents had not heard from him for many months. *to Capt. Howard*

This afternoon I have asked the personnel officer of his branch to dispatch another message requesting that Captain Howard be notified of your inquiry and that he get in touch with his mother as soon as practicable.

On the basis of our records, I feel certain he is well and I trust you and Mrs. Hegeman will hear shortly from him.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan
Director

304 Dec. 1 Captain Lord F. Howard

1. In the attached letter, Mr. John C. McCann, of New York City, requests information concerning the well being of his stepson, Captain Lee F. Howard. They have not heard from him since he left Seattle in July 1914. Captain Howard is with

2. The Secretariat has drafted and submits for your approval and signature a proposed reply stating that in December 1914, upon appropriate inquiry being made, this Agency was informed that a baby was born who had been notified of his parents' location by a letter from him.

As a result, the second and third proposed models meet with group approval. The experimental value and theoretical value of the second model are 2.00 and 2.00, respectively. The third model is also approved and reported that no experimental value is obtained. Other two models are not approved.

At least one

[Handwritten signature]
J. Edgar Hoover
Director

OSS FORM 4001a

Date

8 Nov

To:

L. K. Poytner

Could you please look into this
and prepare a reply.

AWD

Office of the Secretariat

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HEGEMAN-HARRIS COMPANY
INC.
BUILDERS AND ENGINEERS
331 MADISON AVENUE
NEW YORK, N. Y.
TELEPHONE MURRAY HILL 2-5362

16.374
Howard L. Lee P.
x Hegeman, x hn

March 6th, 1945.

Major General William J. Donovan,
25th and E Streets, N. W.,
Washington,
D. C.

Dear General:-

In view of the increasing worry of my wife, I am taking the liberty to ask if your Department can assure me, if such be the fact, that my wife's son, consequently my step-son, is at least alive and well.

I have reference to Captain Lee P. Howard, Signal Corps, detailed to the C.S.C., who left this country by aeroplane July 11th, 1944.

Since that time neither his mother nor I have heard anything from him despite the fact that she constantly writes, but has had no reply of any kind. Neither, for that matter, have any of his friends or former fellow officers in the Signal Corps.

I presume that he is located somewhere not doing such work as would prohibit his either receiving or sending mail. I understand that, in all probability, his whereabouts cannot be disclosed but if you, or one of your assistants, could be good enough to advise me, at the above address, as to his physical condition, such assurance would go far toward relieving my wife's mental condition.

Captain Howard's number and A.P.O. are as follows:-

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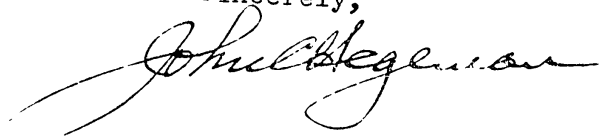
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Major General William J. Donovan

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With appreciation for anything that
you may be enabled to do in this connection, I am

Yours sincerely,



JCH:EAM

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H. C. ...

Walter Hochschild
61 Broadway



march 17, 1946

Major General William J. Donovan
Office of Strategic Services
Washington, D. C.

Dear General Donovan:

Please accept my gratitude
and thanks for your letter of February 27th and
the sentiments expressed therein.

The year which I spent with
the OSS organization will always be looked back
on as the most pleasant and satisfactory part of
my military career. I am glad to have had the
opportunity to contribute in at least a small
way toward the success of the important work
which OSS has done, and I would like to take
this opportunity of expressing my belief that I can
in the future be of assistance to
you or to the organization, if would be a
privilege to do so.

Sincerely,

Walter Hochschild

For General Donovan

Warrant, Colonel 15, 324

TELEGRAM FROM KANDY.

CXG 417 of August 28th.

From U.A.C.S.A. Secret S.A.O. 6510.

Following for General Lamplough.

- A. General Slim has accepted Colonel Howard. Request he be flown out forthwith to report to my headquarters for a short period with P. division before joining 14th Army.
- B. Inform U.S.S., C.D. and A. Bruce of U.S.S.
- C. 11th Army Group and 14th Army have been informed.

T.O., 2710134 August.

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INFORMATION

ROUTING SHEET

CONFIDENTIALOriginator SecretariatDate 20 September 1944

Addressee

Date Rec'd

Subject Memo from Bene re Assignment
of Col. Howard

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Lt. Comdr. E. L. Taylor	Adm. Bldg.			1/1	
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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : General Donovan

DATE: 26 September 1944

FROM : Lt. Commander Taylor

SUBJECT: Appointment of Colonel Howard with 14th Army

This appointment was decided by Captain Garnons-Williams several months ago. At the same time he asked General Stilwell to appoint Lt. Colonel Ray Peers to a similar post with the American forces in northern Burma.

The duties of Howard with the British 14th Army, like those of Ray Peers with NCAC, will be to supervise the tactical coordination of British and U.S. clandestine activities in his area. The over-all authority of P. Division is not affected.

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Edmond L. Taylor
Lt. Commander, USNR

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General Donovan

Lt. Commander Taylor

25 September 1944

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Edmond L. Taylor
Lt. Commander, USNR

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To: Lt. Comdr Taylor

For comment.

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Director's Office

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to: General Donovan.

Attached for your information is a memorandum from Lt. Bane in London concerning the assignment of Col. Howard to General Slim as G-1 Special Ops Officer.

We are planning to route the attached memorandum to the individuals listed on the routing sheet after you have had an opportunity to read it.

R. S. [Signature]
10 Ex for [Signature]

Office of the Secretariat

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Date _____

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1. General Overview

1. General should see the attached in case he was the one who made the arrangements with Colonel ~~Shaw~~ ^{London}. In addition should be notified following:

Mr. Charles
J. L. Richards
Sgt. [unclear]
A. C. Tangle
Col. Sarnes
Col. Bigelow

F.F.P.

N.S. After the General has
seen Mr. O'Connell's secretary at
the office and the General has
been about the same time.

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	H. F. Pugliese		
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HQ & HQ DETACHMENT
Office of Strategic Services
ETOUSA

9 September 1944

MEMORANDUM

To: General Donovan
From: The Secretariat
OSS, ETOUSA

Colonel Bruce has asked that I show you the attached memorandum relating to the appointment of Colonel Howard as G-1 Special Ops Officer with 14th Army Group.

C A Kane

Attachment.

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CONFIDENTIAL

For General Donovan

HQ & HQ DETACHMENT
Office of Strategic Services
ETOUSA

Howard, Colonel

X 14/10/44 Army

1 September 1944

MEMORANDUM

To: Colonel David K.E. Bruce
From: Lt. (J.G.) Bane

I have been investigating the meaning of the scrambler message which came to you from Colonel Sheridan, to the effect that General Slim has accepted Colonel Howard as his G-1 Special Ops (in place of a man called Homer who was killed going out). In view of the lack of information on the part of most people in OSS concerning the message, including Mr. Miller of SO, I decided that the best thing would be to go directly to Colonel Sheridan himself in order to get the background and further details.

The entire message relates to the China, Burma-India, and Southeast Asia Theaters. General Slim is in command of the 14th Army Group which is fighting on the Burma-India border. With him are various irregular organizations, principally OSS, SOE, and SIS. For some time in the past these organizations had reported to General Slim and been serviced by him through his intelligence officer. According to Colonel Sheridan, however, it was mutually agreed some three or four months ago between SOE, SIS and OSS (Colonel Sheridan did not know who had agreed in behalf of OSS, although the matter was evidently worked out in London), that it would be to the benefit of all three organizations to recommend to General Slim that there be created as one of his staff officers a G-1 Special Ops. Wing Commander Homer was originally chosen to perform this task but has been killed on his way to India. The three organizations then agreed to recommend to General Slim that the post be filled by Colonel Howard, a South African, who has had experience in irregular work in the Balkans. Colonel Howard is now in London, preparing to depart. A cable from General Slim inspired the telephone call to you in that it stated that General Slim accepted Colonel Howard and asked that SIS, SOE and Colonel Bruce be informed.

The creation of the post of G-1 Special Ops will not represent a diminution in the responsibility of the irregular organizations to P Division, SEAC, ~~WFO~~ will provide for such organizations a staff officer with the 14th Army Group who will be cognizant of their problems and of their potential usefulness.

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Colonel Sheridan had the impression that the general outline of this matter was one with which you were familiar. If you are not, however, it may be that the arrangements described above were worked out with General Donovan and that we should transmit to the General the information that Colonel Howard is going to fill the post described.

10 September 1944

Corporal Frank G. Kromek, 35000004
Sq. T-6, 408 AAF BV
Camp Pinedale
Pueco, California

Dear Corporal Kromek:

Your letter of 3 September 1944 with the copy of your article on the activities of Ukrainian organizations in this country arrived while General Donovan was away from Washington.

Our staff was most interested to read your paper, and we are much obliged to you for sending it to us. Your kind words about the work of this agency are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Manon G. Lee
Major, AUS
Chief, Secretariat

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HEADQUARTERS COMPANY
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7 August 1944

SUBJECT: Spanish Desk Report 1 - 15 July 1944

TO : The Director, Office of Strategic Services, Washington, D. C.

1. In the report submitted by the Spanish Desk, Special Intelligence Branch, for the two weeks ending 15 July reference is made to the inclusion of a photostatic copy of a letter from Colonel Sloane of G-2, AFHQ.

2. Since this photostat was omitted from the report, we are sending you herewith a copy. The original is on file with the Spanish Desk.

For the Commanding Officer.

Norman N. Newhouse
NORMAN N. NEWHOUSE
Major, AG
Ass't. Exec. Officer

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ALLIED FORCES HEADQUARTERS
Office of Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2

6 July, 1944

SUBJECT: Recommendation for presentation of a United States
award to source HOUSTON.

TO: Commanding Officer
2677th Regiment, A.P.H.Q.

Source HOUSTON, formerly known as HO, a sub-source of the MADRID chain, has been furnishing information on Southern FRANCE for a period of over twelve months. In the last three months alone this source has turned in the remarkable total of nearly 400 reports from a total of some 40 identified agents and has provided information of operational importance on almost every type of enemy activity and installation.

This source has particularly distinguished itself in the matter of coast defenses and has provided excellent ground reports on German fortifications, especially between PORT VENDRES and SETH and in the environs of TOULON. Detailed mechanical drawings of a great many batteries and Regolbau, which were forwarded along with their legend in German, were a particularly noteworthy contribution to our knowledge of enemy defense constructions.

This source has furthermore furnished a quantity of accurate information on German Order of Battle and reports on enemy POCs (probably a complete breakdown of the TCO Alpenrose, which brought 2 S.S. Panzer Division DAS REICH from BORDEAUX to the T.M. (T.M. area) have been most helpful.

Qualitatively as well as quantitatively, Source HOUSTON has proven one of the best of the purely American contributions to Allied intelligence and the principal organizer of this chain can be said to have done, in an extremely important area and at an extremely important time, an outstanding job.

For the A. C. of S., G-2:

/s/ O. G. SLANE, JR.,
Colonel, G.S.C.,
G-2 Section, O.I.

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HEADQUARTERS
2677th Regiment OSS (Provisional.)
APO 512 U.S. Army

22 July 1944

TO: The Director, OSS, Washington, D. C.

SUBJECT: Proposed award

1. It is recommended that an award be made by the American government to this source. It is not known what particular recognition can be given but it would appear that the Legion of Merit in its highest bracket would be the minimum considered suitable as a measure of work accomplished.

2. Incidentally, the letter is an excellent one for your files.


EDWARD J. F. GLAVIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

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Glavin 7/26
advising that
Huey's service
off. must take the
action to present
awards for deserving
individuals* 

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ALLIED PORT HEADQUARTERS
Office of Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1

6 July 1944

SUBJECT: Recommendation for presentation of a United States
award to source HOUSTON.

To: Commanding Officer,
257th Regiment, A.P.H.

Source HOUSTON, formerly known as NO a sub-source of the
MADRID chain, has been furnishing information on Southern FRANCE
for a period of over twelve months. In the last three months
alone this source has turned in the remarkable total of nearly
400 reports from a total of some 40 identified agents and has
provided information of operational importance on almost every
type of enemy activity and installation.

This source has particularly distinguished itself in
the matter of coast defenses and has provided excellent ground
reports on German fortifications, especially between FORT VIGNON
and FORT and in the environs of TONNAIN. Detailed mechanical draw-
ings of a great many batteries and Maginot, which were forwarded
with their legend in German, were a particularly noteworthy con-
tribution to our knowledge of enemy defense constructions.

This source has furthermore furnished a quantity of ac-
curate information on German Order of Battle and reports on enemy
TPO (notably a complete breakdown of the TCO Alpenrose, which
brought 2 d.S. Panzer Division HAS RICH from BORDAUX to the
TOULOUSE area) have been most helpful.

Qualitatively as well as quantitatively, Source HOUSTON
has proven one of the best of the purely American contributions
to Allied intelligence and the principal organizer of this chain
can be said to have done, in an extremely important area and at
an extremely important time, an outstanding job.

For the A. C. of S., G-1

C. C. SIOANE, JR.
Colonel, U.S.A.
G-2 Section, G-1

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Howland, Weston
** Employee's Type*

Colonel Doering

29 May 1944

Mr. Weston Howland

At your suggestion I am summarizing the idea which I expressed to you concerning reasons against OSS employment of a certain class of individuals. The remarks which I am about to make do not have application to OO's, to personnel engaged in certain types of HQ or SO projects or to most of those who make up station complements.

The value of the end-product of OSS work depends on its absolute accuracy. It must be free from bias which could cause it to be a sales argument for either side of a question.

A man who is possessed of phobias or urgent enthusiasms is biased to begin with. This is true whether his prejudice is ideological, political, religious, nationalistic, moral or racial.

Our work has to be carried out on a coldly scientific basis. General Donovan meets people of all kinds all over the world on exactly the basis I have in mind. He scrutinizes them carefully as laboratory material whether they are English, Hindu, Russian or of any other nationality.

We must have people who are receptive without being sieves. They must understand national traits, political beliefs and racial strains without becoming addicts or advocates. Persons with such biases are not only of little use to OSS, but might actually be harmful.

It is therefore suggested that the Security Officer be permitted to disapprove security on an extended basis, rather than on the present, limited basis of actual membership in an un-American organization or party. It is suggested that in such cases, disclosure of the reason be made only at the request of the Director or Executive Officer.

Weston Howland

Communist Defined as One Who Changes With Party Line

Congress, which struggled at the depth of despair necessary to length on a definition of subversive activity some months ago, has been furnished with a definition of a Communist by the Civil Service Commission.

The definition, revealed yesterday in published hearings on the eight billion dollar independent offices appropriations bill, was as follows:

"A good definition of a Communist is 'one who has followed the Communist Party line through one or more changes.' The Communist Party line is the policy advocated by the various factions of the Communist Party. It is the policy of promoting and protecting the Soviet Union by whatever means are deemed necessary by its leaders."

Persons investigating Communist activity are advised by the commission, the hearings reveal, to follow the last three major line changes of the Communist Party, while these four changes in the Party line are outlined:

1. Revolutionary period, 1926 to December, 1934.

This is described by the commission as the period of Communist activity "actively directed toward violent overthrow of this Government."

"In order to reduce the masses to

the depth of despair necessary to reduce their resistance to armed revolution," the Civil Service experts revealed, "it was essential, in the opinion of the Communists, that the capitalist government refrain from any social changes that might drag the masses into continued acceptance of the capitalist system. For this reason the Communists sought to wreck and destroy attempts by the New Deal to pass social legislation."

2. Collective security period, December, 1934, to August, 1939.

Briefly the commission described this as the period when Earl Browder, returned from a trip to Russia, immediately called a halt on the revolutionary program, "and at the same time launched the most effective period of Communist infiltration in this country. This was the Popular Front period."

3. Commu-Nazi period, August, 1939, to June, 1941.

The period following the signing of Russia's nonaggression pact with Germany.

"Immediately all preparations for defense were termed by the Communists as warmongering."

4. Collective security period (revised), June 22, 1941, to date.

"With the attack on Russia by Germany on this date, the Communist Party line overnight reverted again to the collective security phase."

The commission declared that "An earmark of an American Communist today is an advanced degree of patriotism." It was further pointed out that "the suddenness of his switch" gives the Communist away.

A President Fights Intolerance

COMMON SENSE

In a determined stand to make Democracy live in the classrooms of Hunter College, the world's largest college for women, Dr. George N. Shuster, its President, issued the following document to more than 500 of its faculty members:

*To the Members of the Staff of
Hunter College of the City of New York:*

It is with deep reluctance that I address this letter to the staff at the beginning of what we all hope will be a rewarding semester. I have tried on numerous occasions to express my personal gratitude for the loyalty to duty and the readiness to cooperate which have characterized our common service to the College. What must now be said must not be taken to detract from this sincere appreciation or to refer to more than a few unfortunate and isolated occurrences.

There have been reported to me and to the Deans a number of instances in which members of the staff, no doubt affected by the unsettlement of the time, have made remarks which either insulted or wounded their students. These reports are not based on hearsay or on hastiness in giving credence to gossip. Let me say, therefore, that while every member of the staff is entitled to his or her opinions, indoctrination in terms of these opinions is clearly limited by the rights of parents who send their daughters to us. Such rights cannot in any way circumscribe the process of scholarly or scientific enquiry, which is inevitably in part subjective. Thus one teacher will stress the role of spiritual convictions in the making of history, while another will prefer to emphasize the importance of economic factors. This process is the main concern of our educational enterprise and you may be sure that the College authorities will always endeavor to defend its freedom at whatever cost.

But it is another thing entirely to undermine the courtesy which underlies our necessary acceptance of cultural pluralism by indulging in quite personal attacks on the convictions, sentiments and legitimate pride of student groups. Let me illustrate. It is wholly fitting that an instructor should, if he deems it necessary, be critical of the Salazar regime in Portugal. But to go on and declare that all Portu-

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Accordingly I am announcing that henceforth charges will be preferred by the President against any member of the staff who, while on duty in the classroom or in a counselor's office, is guilty of demonstrable misconduct in the following ways:

By asserting that this war has been "wished on" the American people and ought not to be supported.

By asserting that the Papacy and all Catholics are at heart advocates of Nazism and Fascism, and therefore anti-American.

By asserting that the Jewish group is a "race," different from and inferior to other groups in the community, and so unassimilable.

By asserting that the Russian system of government and the Russian ideology are superior to our own, and by gratuitously injecting propaganda to this effect into classroom discussion.

By asserting that the Negro is an inferior being, who can legitimately be discriminated against, either economically or socially.

I regret to say that these forms of misconduct are apparently not hypothetical. And I should like to reiterate that when they are authentically reported from the classroom, this office will take action without further regard for anything except the facts in the case. I shall add, of course, that the thoughts of members of the staff can be of no concern to the Administration. In these times, all of us should refrain as much as possible from suspicion of his conferees, as well as from setting up super-righteous standards of conduct. But the classroom is another domain, and it will be protected.

Finally, please note that the areas of complaint are clearly defined in this letter. If any additions are necessary, these will be plainly announced in due time.

Sincerely,

GEORGE N. SHUSTER,

President

Properly reworded

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GEORGE N. SHUSTER.

President

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ADVANCE ECHelon FIFTH AIR FORCE
OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, A-2
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APO 713, UNIT 1

SUMMARY OF PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES FROM 2000K/2 TO 2000K/3.

3 APRIL, 1944.

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ADVANCE ECHELON FIFTH AIR FORCE
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, A-2
APO 713, UNIT 1**

3 APRIL, 1944.

.. AIR ACTIVITY.

a. Allied Air Activity.

(1) General. Almost every conceivable form of punishment and destruction that could be inflicted on an enemy air base by use of modern air power was directed at HOLLANDIA today in a tremendous quantity. The damage inflicted was unquestionably the greatest accomplished by Fifth Air Force bombers in a single attack since the beginning of the war. The force employed, both from the standpoint of the total number of bombers - heavy, medium and light - and from the standpoint of total diversified bomb tonnage and total ammunition expended, was the heaviest yet used in the Southwest Pacific in a single attack against a given target. The target constituted undoubtedly the choicest and largest aggregation of war materials, mechanisms, equipment and installations yet encountered by our bombers at a single location on a single day. One week ago the enemy had at HOLLANDIA 288 planes, one of the largest aggregations of air strength assembled by the enemy at any base since the beginning of the war. Today this air strength practically in its entirety has been destroyed. Two-thirds of the 288 airplanes at HOLLANDIA were destroyed by our heavy bombers acting alone last Thursday and Friday. Today the mediums and A-20s helped to complete the job. A summary of today's operations and damage done at HOLLANDIA is outlined below.

(2) The Operation. 63 B-24s, 95 A-20s and 76 B-25s (total of 234 bombers) escorted by 76 P-38s over target and met at TAMI on the way back by 69 P-47s and P-40s. Bombers were over target for more than 1 hour, dropping more than 355 tons of bombs, ranging from 1000 lb demos down to 23 lb. parafrags. The heavies led the attack at 1050K, dropping 492 1000 pound demos at heavy and medium A/A positions. One half hour later the 95 A-20s came in with 100 lb. demos, strafing A/A positions, bomb and fuel dumps, buildings, barracks, stores, trucks, barges and other targets of opportunity. The A-20s were followed by the B-25s, over the target from 1155K to 1210K, bombing and thoroughly strafing similar targets. The medium and attack bombers together dropped over 110 tons of 100 lb demo, para demo and parafrag and 23 lb. parafrag clusters, and expended more than 150,000 rounds of 50 calibre and 25,000 round of 30 calibre ammunition, an amount previously unequalled by Fifth Air Force bombers. The target area generally was clear, but at the time the heavies were over, there were local cumulus build-ups directly over the target ranging from 3/10 to about 8/10, which interfered to some extent with bombing. Weather was good for the low level attacks.

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3 APRIL, 1944.

S E C R E T**a. Allied Air Activity (continued).**

- (3) The Results. Practically the remainder of the enemy's Air force at HOLLANDIA was destroyed or left unrepairable. The three strips were rendered at least temporarily unserviceable, and enemy A/A although not knocked out was hard hit. Although the complete destruction of the enemy's air force at HOLLANDIA is almost of inestimable importance, the destruction caused to ground installations, stores, dumps and other ground targets today was probably of equal importance. Five A/A positions were reported destroyed, 6 were reported silenced, and direct hits were reported on still other positions. Four machine gun positions were reported wiped out. The A-20s reported many A/A positions appeared abandoned. Many hits by strafing were reported made in the pits. All three dromes and surrounding areas were battered and badly damaged. One control tower was riddled and destroyed. One string of 5 bombs hit directly among 20/25 twin engine planes on the Northwest end of the HOLLANDIA strip. Many planes were seen to blow up and others were burning fiercely. Four single seated fighters were blown up by a direct bomb hit while taxiing down one of the taxiways. 20 single seated fighters congregated in one dispersal area were hit by 18 bombs and believed completely destroyed. One squadron reported 40/50 wrecked airplanes on and about the old HOLLANDIA strip. Buildings on the Southwest end of the HOLLANDIA strip were left blazing. 7 bombs hit on several European type buildings just West of the SENTANI strip. A number of barracks on the island in JAUTEFA BAY were thoroughly strafed. One large oil fire rising to at least 2000 feet was started just South of the center of the HOLLANDIA strip. Smoke from the HOLLANDIA drome rose to 7000 feet. Fires were raging in most of the dispersal areas and around the CYCLOPS and SENTANI dromes. Another large fire with flames rising to 60 feet in the air was started in the dispersal area Northeast of the HOLLANDIA drome. A fuel dump was fired Southeast of SENTANI. One squadron reported at least 8 fuel dumps between LAKE SENTANI and the coast, 2 of which were in flames. The water's edge was reported lined with fuel drums. 3 more fuel dumps were set on fire in the vicinity of JAUTEFA BAY. 1 of 2 large bomb dumps East of the CYCLOPS drome was left burning. A large gas dump South of the Japanese Gardens was also set on fire.

The road from CYCLOPS to HOLLANDIA township was reported solidly packed with large quantities of stores and supplies and lined with warehouses. Supplies and stores were also reported to be piled high all around HUMBOLDT BAY. Additional large quantities of stores and supplies were reported observed on the small peninsulas on the Southwest side of SENTANI LAKE. 300 large crates resembling airplane engine boxes were seen stacked up at one point. Most of these areas were thoroughly strafed and large quantities of stores and supplies destroyed and left burning.

The squadron reports indicate however that numerous good targets remain. All of the villages along the TANAH-MERAH BAY roadway were bombed and heavily strafed by one B-25 squadron. Debris was seen flying through the air and fires were started in most of the villages, which probably are or were inhabited by Jap personnel.

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3 APRIL, 1944.

a. Allied Air Activity (continued)

A truck convey composed of 6-wheeled vehicles was caught on the road to the coast and heavily strafed by the B-25s. Another single truck was set on fire by strafing. The convey was loaded with supplies. A gasoline truck and a 20 ton truck pulling out of a wooded area were heavily strafed. The windshield of the 20 ton truck was shattered, and the driver of the gas truck was killed as he attempted to get away from his vehicle.

Barges in the TANAH-MARAN BAY, both stationary and moving, were strafed and hit. The A-20s reported direct hits on 3 barges standing along the jetty in HUMBOLDT BAY. A freighter transport in HUMBOLDT BAY was also strafed and several other boats attacked.

For all this damage to say nothing of the number of enemy personnel undoubtedly killed and in addition 26 enemy fighters definitely destroyed in the air today we paid the price of one P-38.

b. Enemy Air Activity.

- (1) General. 30 enemy fighters airborne at HOLLANDIA - 26 shot down - our loss, 1 P-38. No other interceptions - no air raids.
- (2) Interceptions. The first interception at HOLLANDIA occurred at 1030 when P-38s escorting the heavies encountered an enemy force of approximately 30 fighters. 10 of these fighters were destroyed and 2 damaged. Several other interceptions followed involving lesser number of enemy planes. Only one squadron of B-24s was intercepted and 1 B-24. The P-38s shot down 24 enemy fighters and the B-24 two fighters, making the day's total 26. With exception of three passes made on the B-24s the enemy pilots were meager and endeavored to avoid combat.

	<u>DEFINITELY</u>	<u>PROBABLY</u>
ENEMY LOSSES TODAY IN THE AIR	26	0
OUR COMBAT LOSSES TODAY	1 P-38	0

ENEMY PLANE INTERCEPTION BY TYPE

<u>HOLLANDIA</u>	<u>APRIL 3</u>	<u>Percent</u>
<u>Total enemy planes</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>100%</u>
<u>Types:</u> CRUISE	23	77
TONYB	4	13
HAMPS	2	7
TOWNS	1	3

- (3) Enemy losses in the air and on the ground since 29 March have been estimated to be 200 planes.

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Answered by [illegible] 14 April 1967
SECRET

To: Ruth V. Howard

20 April 1964

Subject: OSF Orders

1. You are hereby authorized and directed to proceed to the destination indicated in your official travel orders, where you will report to the Strategic Services Officer for duty with the Security Office. You will thereafter act under his orders and directions.

G. Edward Buxton
Acting Director

Approved:

Howard M. Chapin, Major, AUS
NATO Theater Officer

Approved:

Weston Howland
Security Officer

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M. C. C.

San Antonio, Col. Bryan 14/11

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 13, 1944.

B. H.
Dear Mr. Clegg,

Replying to your memorandum of 3 April requesting that Colonel Bryan Houston be transferred from the Office of Price Administration to the Office of Strategic Services, I regret the necessity of informing you that the importance of the work he is now doing makes it impracticable for me to authorize his transfer from O.P.A. at this time.

Sincerely yours,

F. H.

William J. Donovan,
Office of Strategic Services,
Washington, D.C.

Hamilton, 14 M.
V. M. D.
8 April 1944

Miss Grace Tully,
The White House,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss Tully:

General Donovan has asked that I send to you
for the President the attached memorandum. He has also
asked that Mr. Byrnes' attached letter on this subject
be sent with his memorandum.

I should be grateful if you would bring these
to the attention of the President.

Sincerely yours.

G. Edward Buxton,
Acting Director.

Houston, Col. Bryan 14/11/44

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

3 April 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

You have been good enough to discuss with me the basic importance of our Morale Operations in penetrating the enemy lines and inciting and encouraging resistance groups. Now, for reasons concerning which you are better advised than I, this is especially important.

Such operations must be headed by a man who has had successful experience in handling creative people. He must know his way with the Army and Navy, and he must be able to obtain the cooperation of other agencies both military and civilian.

We have found such a man in Colonel Bryan Houston, General Staff Corps. In the last war, he was an enlisted man in the Navy. He has had unusual experience both in the analysis of group opinion and in effecting changes in that opinion. He is a graduate of the Army Staff and Command School. His military record since entering the Army in June 1942 is rated as superior.

I am bringing this personal problem to your attention because of the duty to which he is now assigned--that is as Deputy Administrator since October 1943 in the Office of Price Administration in charge of rationing. Since his entry upon

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that work, a number of outstanding executives from a variety of fields have become identified with the operation of rationing. With the improvement of personnel and the better industrial relations as well as better coordination among the several agencies charged with the supply and distribution of the various rationed products, it may be fairly certain that he is no longer indispensable to the rationing program. He has also been of great assistance in the development of an Army Price Control program. The field with which he has already worked has now become more, and, by contrast, there is a great lack in that field with which we are concerned.

While the War Relocation Authority which we have so far conducted have, in the opinion of several Theater Commanders, been of sufficient aid in the prosecution of the war, this work is just at the threshold of its possibilities.

It is respectfully requested, therefore, that our original plan to bring Colonel Houston into this work be given our approval as a step which will place this officer in the position in which his experience and ability fit him to be of the greatest possible service to his country.

William J. Donovan
Director

Colonel L. Bryan Houston 14/111

OFFICE OF WAR MOBILIZATION

x M.O

Washington

James F. Byrnes
Director

April 3, 1944

Dear Bill:

Replying to your letter as to Colonel Bryan Houston, I regret that I can not join in asking that Colonel Houston be relieved from his present assignment with OPA.

Some weeks ago the Secretary of War advised Mr. Bowles that he wanted Colonel Houston to be returned to the Army. Bowles appealed to the President that he be permitted to remain, and I wrote a letter to the President joining in Bowles' request.

Before Houston took charge of rationing in October, 1943, there was nationwide complaint about the rationing program. This affected the production of munitions; it affected production on the farms. It was a subject to which Congress devoted about one-third of its time. The Congress, in turn, forced the President to devote a good part of his time to the consideration of complaints and to conferences with Senators and Congressmen on the subject. The rationing of gasoline and fuel oil caused the greatest dissatisfaction, but this was not the only subject of complaint.

Under Houston the complaints have decreased, but Bowles' statement does not accord with the information given you that there is a number of outstanding executives who could carry on with the same success.

I joined Bowles in his request that Houston be allowed to remain a while longer because I know the difficulty in getting men for OPA as compared with army. The Army offers a man service with the armed forces, a commission, and a uniform. There are few men who will refuse a request to serve in the armed forces. I know of no man with an outstanding reputation in the business world who will not refuse to serve with OPA.

There is nothing to attract one into that service. A man may in advance find no matter what he does, he going to be employed. He has no chance to do a favor for anybody. He may be will spend a good part of his time before Congressional committee answer criticism. Because it is the object of criticism, he has to be persuaded to join the organization and to be a man of courage.

Your service is an attractive one. It appeals to a man's patriotism, to his love of adventure, as well as to his patriotism.

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Several capable men tried to run the job that Houston is now running. Until Houston took charge, rationing seriously affected the war effort. I would hate to see a change made which might retard the efforts of thousands of people as was the case prior to last October.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) JAMES F. BYRNES

Hon. William J. Donovan, Director
Office of Strategic Services
Washington, D. C.

30 March 1944

Mr. James Byrne
Director of War Mobilization
Washington, D.C.

My dear Jim:

I talked with you some time ago about the importance of getting Colonel Bryan Houston as head of our Morale Operations and in talking with you I thought you might find some difficulty in having this put through. In order to avoid adding to your many problems, I would be glad to send the attached letter to the President if it meets with your approval. You will note that I have not yet signed it.

I would be very grateful for any suggestions you may wish to make on this subject.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan
Director

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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24 March 1944

MEMORANDUM

TO: General William J. Donovan
FROM: J. M. Scribner
SUBJECT: Attached Memorandum from Colonel Bryan Houston

You will recall at our last conversation with subject you requested there be forwarded you material which you could use in preparing a letter to the President in an attempt to procure Colonel Houston's services for MO.

As I remember our discussion, you contemplated addressing this letter to the President, but discussing it with Byrnes in the hope you might secure his initialed approval to the request prior to its submission to the President.

The material you requested is attached.



J. M. Scribner
Deputy Director, SSO

Attachment

OFFICE OF PRICE ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

March 22, 1944

Personal.

Dear Joe:

Here is a rough draft of the letter.

I don't like it particularly, but I didn't get it written until late Monday night and I understood that you were to be out of town until Thursday, so I held it in the hopes of getting a chance to re-write it. That chance has not materialized, so here it is.

I am going to Syracuse tonite, and I will have some time on the train, in between writing a couple of speeches, to work over it once more if you don't need it before Friday.

I will be back Friday afternoon.

Sincerely,

Bryan Houston
BRYAN HOUSTON
Colonel, G.O.C.

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Mr. Joseph Scribner
Rm. 2018 Q Bldg.
Washington, D. C.



Paragraph 1. Refer back to previous conversations with the President as to a mutual understanding as to the basic importance of M.O.

From an administrative point of view there are three phases of this operation which are common to all new ventures which must be made effective quickly and on a large scale. We must have competent manpower, effective organization, and close cooperation with these agencies of this and allied governments which are concerned with similar and coordinated activities.

If we get the right man to head our morale operations, these problems become just part of the day's work. These operations should be headed by a man who has had successful experience in handling creative people. He should have sufficient Federal administrative experience to understand Budget and Civil Service. He should know his way around both the Army and the Navy, and he should have a sufficiently broad background and knowledge of human beings to enable him to gain for the work of this office the cooperation of other agencies, both military and civilian.

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A little over a year ago this office located a man whose record indicates a high degree of conformity with these unusual specifications. As our plans have matured slowly, it is only recently that our situation has developed to the point which justifies making an urgent request for the transfer of this officer to the Office of Strategic Services.

This officer is Colonel Bryan Houston, General Staff Corps. During the last war he served as an enlisted man in the U.S. Navy. In civil life, as a partner of Dr. Gallup and a Vice-President of a large advertising agency, Colonel Houston has had unusual experience both in the analysis of group opinion and in effecting changes in that opinion. He is a graduate of the Army Staff and Command School. His military record since entering the Army in June, 1942, is rated as superior.

The unusual step of bringing this personnel problem to your attention is necessary because of the duty to which Colonel Houston has been assigned since 15 October 1943 -- that is as Deputy Administrator of the Office of Price Administration in charge of Rationing. Since that date a number of outstanding

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executives from a variety of fields have undertaken to give their time to the operation of rationing. It is Colonel Houston's belief that with this improvement in personnel, better industry relations and better coordination between the Rationing Department of OPA and the several agencies charged with the supply and distribution of the various rationed products, it cannot fairly be said that he is any longer indispensable to the rationing program.

Since June 1942, Colonel Houston's services have been considered to be of considerable importance to the development of an Army Price Control program, to the improvement of Army purchasing methods, and to the development of contract termination policies for the War Department, yet all of these operations have gone forward under the care of his successors. It seems more than likely that rationing will go forward under the able personnel now available in that department. By contrast, while the morale operations which we have so far conducted have, in the opinion of several theater commanders, been of significant aid in the prosecution of the war, this work is just at the threshold of its real possibilities.

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It is respectfully requested, therefore, that our original plans to bring Colonel Houston into this work be given your approval as a step which will place this officer in the position in which his experience and ability fit him to be of the greatest possible service to his country.

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

10 March 1944

MEMORANDUM

TO: General William J. Donovan
FROM: J. M. Scribner
SUBJECT: Colonel Brian Houston

Colonel Houston and I discussed our mutual problem in my office today at some length. As a result, the situation seems to me to be about as follows:

1. It lies within Mr. Burns' power to hold Colonel Houston in OPA. Although, Colonel Houston does not anticipate this will happen, it is a possibility.
 2. Colonel Houston feels the normal course of events will bring about his release from OPA sometime between now and May 1st. In the event this happens, he will return to the Purchases Division, ASP, of the U. S. Army, and report directly to General L. D. Clay.
 3. It is possible General Clay will continue using Col. Houston as in the past, and it is equally possible there may have been a request made against General Clay for Colonel Houston's services by some other Branch of the Army.
 4. The situation is largely a question of timing, i.e., if a request by OSS for Colonel Houston's services might reach General Clay at about the time his work with OPA was winding up and prior to the time of a request reaching General Clay from anyone else, it appears as though we would have the best chance.
 5. Colonel Houston fears that General Clay will want to retain his services for purposes of reconversion work. Therefore, it seems to me desirable for us to consider the appropriate moves to spring Colonel Houston loose from General Clay. In addition to the contact you have already made with Mr. Burns to this end,
- I would be glad to talk to you about this at your convenience. It looks like a difficult problem to me. What would you think of having Sid Weinberg supplement your efforts with Burns? Is there any way we could have the JCA approach General Clay in our behalf?

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So far as I am concerned, the real way to get the job done would be to ask the President to do it. For my part, I think it is worth it.

J. M. Seribner
Deputy Director, SSO

Handwritten: General of the Staff
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26 February 1944

MEMORANDUM TO MR. CECIL DE BLASQUEZ HOWARD
SUBJECT: ORDER

1. You are hereby authorized and directed to proceed to the destination indicated in your military orders, where you will report to the Strategic Services Officer for that Theater of Operations. You are, thereafter, to act under the instructions of the Strategic Services Officer for such Theatre.

William J. Donovan
William J. Donovan
Director

APPROVED:

John H. Diefendorf
John H. Diefendorf
Acting Chief, SO

APPROVED:

J. M. Harbo
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Deputy Director, SO

John H. Diefendorf
John H. Diefendorf
European Theater Officer

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Horvath P. 13 172
23 March 1944

Mr. Lawrence B. Horvath,
Army Specialized Training Unit,
University of Denver,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Mr. Horvath:

In answer to your letter of 24 March 1944, I
am sorry that I do not find that there is any position
for you at this time.

Sincerely yours,

William J. Donovan,
Director

Horvath, Lawrence B.
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Army Specialized Training Unit
UNIVERSITY OF DENVER
(1000 UNIVERSITY AVENUE)
DENVER, COLORADO

March 24, 1944

General William Donovan
Office of Strategic Services
Washington, D. C.

Dear General Donovan:

Please permit me to inquire whether you have received my Registered Letter of March 5th, in which I stated that our mutual friend Prof. Siposs told me that you mentioned my name to him, suggesting that you could use my services again. As I am returning to Washington, D. C. early in April, I am anxious to know if you still have some position in mind for me, as Prof. Siposs made me understand.

At the same time, allow me to send you a copy of a newspaper statement of mine, which was published in Denver's Scripps-Howard newspaper, discussing the Balkan situation.

Thanking you for your kind consideration,

Respectfully yours,

Lawrence B. Horvath

Lawrence B. Horvath, Professor
Army Specialized Training Unit,
University of Denver,
Denver, Colorado

Home address: 825 Logan Street,
Denver 3, Colorado

1000 UNIVERSITY AVENUE

"Rocky Mountain News" (Scripps-Howard paper)
 Denver, Colorado March 23, 1944

Says Invasion May Unite Balkans

Hitler's invasion of the Balkans will backfire by uniting the peoples of the Danubian Basin in a solid anti-Nazi front and intensifying underground opposition to Germany, Lawrence Horvath, professor of Hungarian history and geography at Denver University's Army Specialized Training Unit, said yesterday.

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Germany has been fostering anti-democratic tendencies in Hungary, Rumania and Bulgaria and has tried to play one nation against the other to keep them divided, Mr. Horvath said. The German occupation will bring the three peoples together, laying foundations for post-war co-operation, he declared.

U. S. Political Analyst

Mr. Horvath has served as political analyst for the U. S. Office of Strategic Services, specializing in Hungarian affairs, and as economic analyst for the U. S. Commerce Department.

"The Germans found it necessary to occupy Hungary because the Hungarian General Staff could not guarantee that Hungarian soldiers would fight against the Yugoslav Partisans and the Russians," he said.

"Also, by stationing German troops in the Hungarian Carpathian and Transylvanian Mountains, the Germans think they will be able to force the Rumanians to continue fighting against Russia."

Yugoslav Partisans are aiding Hungary by preventing Germany from sending troops into Hungary from Yugoslavia, and Hungarian and Ruthenian Partisans are fighting German troops in Carpathia-Ruthenia, he pointed out.

Foundation for Friendship

"The occupation will unite anti-Nazi Hungarians in a Hungarian war of freedom, similar to the



Lawrence Horvath

Hungarian war of independence in 1848-49," he said. "In 1848, however, the Croats were incited against Hungary by Austria. This time Tito's Croatian Partisans will help the anti-Nazi Hungarians.

"This will lay the foundations for friendship and co-operation of all Danubian peoples. They will unite against the Germans and will join the United Nations actively in the fight against Hitlerism."

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

INTEROFFICE MEMO

*Mr. Ladd
to Mr. Poola*

TO: General William J. Donovan
Director of Strategic Services

DATE: 15 March 1944

FROM: Dewitt C. Poola
Director, FN

SUBJECT: Lawrence Horvath

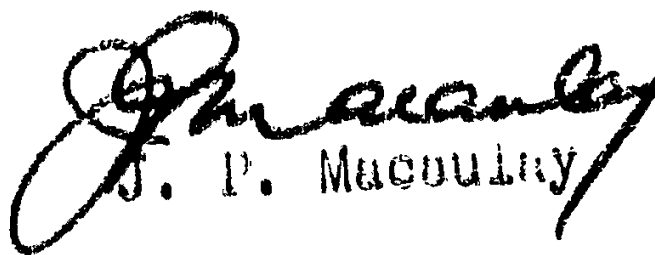
With reference to the attached letter from Lawrence H. Horvath, we found him to be an estimable young man of moderate ability. I could not recommend that he be reappointed to this Branch. Apart from the fact that his capabilities are only moderate he is somewhat too directly connected with the Hungarian situation.

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Attachment.

To: Mr. Poole

General Donovan asked me
to forward this to you.


J. P. Macouly

Director's Office

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Army Specialized Training Unit

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DENVER, COLORADO

March 6, 1944



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 of Strategic Services
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 General Donovan:
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Please excuse my disturbing you with a personal letter, but Professor Emery Siposs (who recently came to Washington, D. C. for the West Coast) suggested to me that I should write to you, because during his last meeting with you he got the impression that you still remembered me and were interested in using me for some work in the O.S.S.

Perhaps you will recall me as the young Hungarian-American whom Professor Siposs recommended to you to give you some lessons every morning during last June at your home. Those lessons ended you were kind enough to recommend me for a research position with the FOREIGN NATIONALITIES BRANCH of O.S.S., under the direction of Mr. DeWitt C. Poole. I worked there from July 15 until September 26, 1943, at which time I resigned to teach with the ARMY SPECIALIZED TRAINING UNIT at the University of Denver. Perhaps that was a hasty and foolish decision to make, because I really enjoyed my work with the F.N.B. of O.S.S. and found the work there most stimulating, but I always wanted to teach at a University and that is why I accepted that professorial position.

However, quite unfortunately, the Army Specialized Training Unit at the University of Denver is being discontinued. I will be discontinued without a position about April 1st. Since then I shall be without a position. I would like to find out if there may be a possibility for me to return to the O.S.S. As Professor Siposs mentioned that you inquired about me and that you said that you could use my services, permit me to ask you if there might be some specific work you had in mind where you could use me.

My professorial work with the A.S.T.P. at the University of Denver consists of teaching the Geography, History, and the Political Problems of Central Europe and the Balkans, with a special emphasis on Hungary and Bulgaria. I found this experience of teaching Army Cadets a most valuable one and I am convinced that it is giving me an excellent background for further work in the field of political problems.

While doing this teaching work with the A.S.T.P., I continued to write regular reports on the Hungarian-language press for the Office of Volunteer Readings of the Foreign Nationalities Branch of O.S.S., under the direction of Dr. R. V. Lindabury.

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 DENVER, COLORADO

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I already asked Dr. Lindabury if there might be an opening for me in his Office of Volunteer Readings or in the Foreign Nationalities Branch, but he wrote back that there are no vacancies. That is why I wonder whether you might recommend me for a position in some other Branch of O.S.S. I am especially interested in Psychological Warfare and in propaganda work, but of course I shall be glad to do any other work you would want me to do. One of my former colleagues here at the A.S.T.P., Dr. Leslie Tihany, is doing work now in Washington for the O.S.S., and he wrote me that there may be openings for a young man, like myself, who knows Hungarian, German, and Spanish, and who had University teaching experience. Perhaps my past experience in O.S.S. work and as Economic and Political Analyst in the Department of Commerce will help me to obtain a position with O.S.S. again.

When my present professorial work ends at the University of Denver A.S.T.P., I shall return to Washington, D.C., early in April, as my parents live there. I would be very grateful if you would send me just a brief note, letting me know if there might be any possibilities of my returning to the O.S.S. in April. Perhaps when I return to Washington, you would kindly permit me to pay a visit to you in your Office to discuss the possibilities of working for you.

Anything you would want me to do I shall be most happy to perform, because my aim is to be useful for the War Effort, as far as my knowledge and abilities permit.

Thanking you again for your kindness and good will towards me in the past, I remain,

Respectfully yours,

Lawrence B. Horvath

Lawrence B. Horvath, Professor
 Army Specialized Training Program,
 Language and Area Unit, Regis College
 University of Denver,
 Denver, Colorado

My home address: 825 Logan Street
 Denver 3, Colorado

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15 May 1948

From: Director of Strategic Services
 To: Commandant, U. S. Coast Guard

Subj: Lieutenant Daniel J. Holland, USCGR

Reference (a): Letter from Commandant, USCG to CG, NavComd,
 CGS, File CG-701 (PMH), 30 March 1948

Enclosure (a): Copy Military Order of the President of the
 United States

1. In reference (a) the request of the Office of Strategic Services for the assignment to it of Lieutenant Daniel J. Holland, USCGR, was not favorably considered by the Commandant, U. S. Coast Guard.

2. It is not our intention to ask for reconsideration of the above decision at this time since we realize that favorable action in the matter would result in increasing by one the allotment of Coast Guard officers to this Agency. In view of the fact, however, that the above decision appears to have been based in part on the premise that the Office of Strategic Services is a civilian Government Agency we respectfully invite your attention to certain additional information which we believe should be considered in this connection. Enclosure (a) is a copy of the military order of the President of the United States, signed by him in his capacity as Commander-in-Chief, which established the Office of Strategic Services and placed it under the jurisdiction of the U. S. Joint Chiefs of Staff. The latter have promulgated the directives in accordance with which this Agency operates. In theaters of operations its activities are subject further to the control and direction of the Theater Commander and are in direct support of military operations. Personnel of this organization have participated actively in combat operations and in many instances casualties have been incurred.

3. By virtue of the directives and activities described above, the Office of Strategic Services has acquired a military status differentiating it materially from civilian Governmental departments and agencies. It is therefore respectfully urged that the foregoing characteristics be considered by the Commandant

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in passing upon any future request for assignment of Coast
Guard personnel to the Office of Strategic Services.

CHARLES S. CHAMBERLAIN
Assistant Director

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13 April 1945

Lieut. B. J. Holland, USCG
U.S.G. Grand Island (PB-14)
c/o Fleet Post Office
San Francisco, California

Dear Lieut. Holland:

As General Donovan's absence your letter to him of 6 April 1945 has been referred to me for reply.

I am sorry to inform you that this Agency's recent request for your assignment was not favorably considered by the Commandant of the Coast Guard. A copy of his reply is enclosed for your information. Unfortunately, it appears from this memorandum that nothing further would be accomplished by a request for reconsideration at this time.

We are holding both your letter and the Coast Guard memorandum in General Donovan's personal file and will submit them to him upon his return from overseas.

Sincerely,

CHARLES S. CRISTON
Acting Director

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UNITED STATES COAST GUARD
Washington

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Address Reply to CG-781
The Commandant
Refer to file:

29 March, 1946

To: CG, Naval Command, Office of Strategic Services,
Washington, D. C.

Subj: Lieutenant Daniel J. Holland, USCGR; request for
assignment of

1. Reference is made to your letter of 29 March, 1946 in which you request that subject officer be assigned to duty with the Naval Command of the Office of Strategic Services.

2. Due to the increasing number of requests for the services of Coast Guard officers by other Governmental departments or agencies, Headquarters has reluctantly established a negative policy in the granting of such requests. This decision was necessarily adopted in order to meet the requirements of our greatly accelerated ship-manning program. The demands for qualified officer personnel have become so exacting that meticulous care must be exercised to assure the utmost utilization of all commissioned officers. Thus, although officers may not be considered physically qualified for sea duty, their availability to the Coast Guard for assignment to an appropriate shore billet releases qualified man-power for combat duty.

3. This position has been substantially confirmed by the Secretary of the Navy's letter of 3 February, 1946 (Pers-315-JM 110-3/30), addressed to all bureaus of the Navy Department, which except in very limited specific instances outlined therein, precludes the loan of commissioned officers of the Navy to other Governmental departments or agencies.

4. It is, therefore, regretted that Headquarters cannot, at this time, accede to your request for subject officer's services.

J. P. FARLEY
By direction

Los Angeles, California
March 1st, 1944

Major General William F. Donovan
Office of Strategic Services
Washington, D. C.

Dear General Donovan:

At our meeting this morning you requested a statement of my duties and availability from the Coast Guard, and I am pleased to give you the following resume of my previous experience and present status.

1. My present assignment, which I have held for seven months, is an Executive Officer on the USS Grand Island PF 14, which vessel is attached to the San Diego Section, Southern California's Sector Western Sea Frontier.

2. Prior to this, I served a total of 36 months in the Coast Guard, 33 of which have been overseas or afloat, including 13 months of active combat duty during the Aleutian campaign.

3. In addition to this military experience, as outlined in previous memoranda to you by Major Ford and Captain McMain, I have collaborated with them in writing and photography on articles for Collier's and the Saturday Evening Post, and have served as Assistant Editor of Field and Stream Magazine for five years. At the outbreak of the war, I was undertaking the duty of Special Assistant to Frank Duffresne of Alaska, organizing a public education

Major General William J. Donovan

Yes.

program for his commission. My experience has been along the lines of writing, editing and placing of public information.

4. Although I have not discussed the matter with my Commanding Officer, I believe that he would not be adverse to consenting to my transfer. I shall make an informal request to him to that effect and advise you of results by letter communication.

5. You were kind enough to say that you wish to have me transferred to your organization, to work with Major Ford and Captain McMain in the undertaking we discussed together. I should like very much to serve under your command. May I suggest that the proper procedure would be to submit a request to the Coast Guard Personnel at Coast Guard Headquarters, Washington, D. C. for my transfer.

Sincerely,

D. J. Holland
D. J. Holland
Lieut., Coast Guard

USS Grand Island
Fleet Post Office
San Francisco, California.

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Note: Original handed to General
Denevan at Los Angeles office
of OSS, Saturday, March 3rd.

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18 February 1954

MEMORANDUM TO Lt. Col. Frederick Boppin, G-100011
Orders

You are hereby authorized and directed to proceed to the destination indicated in your military orders, where you will report to the Strategic Services Officer for that theater of operations. You are, thereafter, to act under the instructions of the Strategic Services Officer for such theater.

G. Edward Hunter
Acting Director

Deputy Director, DDO

Deputy Chief, SO

Chief of Staff

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TO:

Mr. E. E. E. E.

E. E. E. E.'s situation
was the specific subject of an
approved Board of Review
recommendation.

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Office of the General Counsel

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VIA AIR FORCE

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28 February 1945

Colonel T. A. Holdahl
Headquarters, Marine Garrison Forces
Navy Number 128 (one two eight)
c/o Fleet Post Office
San Francisco, California

Dear Colonel Holdahl:

Reference is made to your letter to Colonel Buxton, dated 3 February 1945, concerning an item of \$58.00 for hotel expenses in an Expense Account submitted by you to Special Funds Branch.

The question of paying a per diem to military personnel during the period in which they are alerted for overseas transportation has been considered by the OSS Board of Review, and the rule has been established that Army or Navy personnel assigned to OSS, Washington, shall receive only the standard per diem granted by the respective services under similar circumstances.

Since no per diem would be payable by the Marine Corps under the circumstances in your case, I must advise you that this Office may not reimburse you for the amount claimed. I trust you will fully understand the reason for the ruling of this Office.

Very truly yours,

Charles S. Cheston
Acting Director

cc: Mr. Cheston

cc: Colonel Doering-Lt. Banc
Colonel Rehm
Miss Feldman

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if possible.*

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Handwritten: 100-1
Adm. Lt. C. H. H. H.

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HEADQUARTERS, MARINE GARRISON FORCE
Navy Number 188 (one two eight)
c/o Fleet Post Office
San Francisco, California
8 February, 1948.

My dear Colonel Buxton:-

I enclose copy of letter and memorandum from the
Special Funds Branch of the Office of Strategic Services.

You may remember that before my departure for Europe
I discussed with you the situation wherein, while technically my permanent
station and duty was Washington, actually I was in the status of awaiting
transportation, almost from day to day, for a considerable period. There
seemed to be no administrative means of putting me on a per diem status,
however equitable it was agreed my case might be.

However, for the eight-day period in which I was
alerted for overseas plane transportation it seemed logical to claim expenses
for that period. Since I was on call at any hour of the twenty-four, it was
necessary then, if not before, to establish a "base" at a downtown hotel.

I am, therefore, making one last attempt to arbitrate
the \$50.00 item with your office, before issuing the final check.

Please give my regards to General Donovan.

Best regards,

T. A. HOLDANL,
Colonel, U. S. Marine Corps.

Colonel G. Edward Buxton
Office of Strategic Services
Washington, 25, D.C.

18, 1944

C O P Y

19 September 1944

MEMORANDUM

TO: Colonel W. A. Hoidahl, USMC
Marine Garrison Forces
Pearl Harbor, T. H.

FROM: Special Funds Branch

SUBJECT: Expense Account

(1) Subsequent to our conversation of this date, your Expense Account in the amount of \$140.98 was submitted to the Director's Office for approval. That office has taken exception to the following items:

Item 2. Hotel Expenses - \$5d. This expense, covering 8 days at \$7. cannot be allowed from these funds.

Item 4. Hotel Expenses - \$28. covering period you were awaiting orders in Washington following your return from overseas.

Item 5. Clothing left in Italy - \$11.50. This cannot be allowed inasmuch as it is felt that this is a personal expense and not an expense of this Agency.

(2) Credit has been allowed for the expenses enumerated in Items 1, 3 and 6 on your expense account, and it would be appreciated if you would cover the disallowed expenses with a check in the amount of \$98.50 drawn to the order of Mr. Douglas R. Harshorne.

For the Acting Chief, Special Funds Branch:

/s/ H. F. Lucas
Captain, ord.

10 September 1944

MEMORANDUM

TO: Colonel T. A. Haldahl, USMC
Marine Garrison, Hawaii
Pearl Harbor, T. H.

FROM: Special Funds Branch

SUBJECT: Expense Account

(1) Subsequent to our conversation of this date, your expense account in the amount of \$160.50 was submitted to the Secretary's Office for approval. That office has taken exception to the following items:

Item 2. Hotel Expenses - \$80. This expense, covering 8 days at \$7. cannot be allowed from these funds.

Item 4. Hotel Expenses - \$80. Covering period you were awaiting orders in Washington following your return from overseas.

Item 5. Clothing left in Italy - \$11.50. This cannot be allowed inasmuch as it is felt that this is a personal expense and not an expense of this Agency.

(2) Credit has been allowed for the expenses enumerated in items 1, 3 and 6 on your expense account, and it would be suggested if you would cover the disallowed expenses with a check in the amount of \$98.50 drawn to the order of Mr. Douglas R. Bartchorne, for the Acting Chief, Special Funds Branch.

H. M. Lucas
Captain, Ord.

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10 July 1944

Tito, Marshall of Yugoslavia

My dear Marshall Tito:

The bearer of this letter, Colonel T. A. Holdahl, USMC, has been designated by me as my personal representative at your headquarters.

It is my hope that Colonel Holdahl will be of assistance to you in your struggle against the enemy. He will keep me fully advised of developments in your country and will explain to you personally the objectives which we seek to obtain and which we believe may be of assistance in hastening the ultimate victory.

Please be assured of our desire to cooperate with you to the fullest in our mutual undertakings.

William J. Donovan
Brigadier General, AUS
Director

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X / Medium Group personnel

10 July 1944

TO: Colonel W. A. Haldahl, USMC
FROM: Director, OSS
SUBJECT: Special Instructions Governing Operation of Tito Mission

REFERENCES: (a) USMC Travel Orders dated
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Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Washington, D. C. 20546

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OSS Form 4151

date 7/8/44to: General Donovan

Attached are Colonel Holdahl's orders. It is our understanding from him that his mission, in accordance with your wishes, is to be a Yugoslavia mission, and is not to be confined merely to Tito's forces.

Alvah W. Sulloway
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Office of the Executive Officer

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22 June 1944

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6. In Algiers and Paris, you will call on American representatives stationed at these places.

7. In your relations with all British, Russian, and Yugoslav Nationals or Commissions in the Theater of Operations, you will be governed by the provisions of references b and g, supplemented by such further instructions in writing as the Department of State may furnish you prior to your departure from Washington. In the event that political questions arise not covered by instructions you will refer them to OSS, Washington for transmittal to the Department of State for appropriate guidance.

G. Edward Burton
Acting Director

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January 25th, 1944

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MEMORANDUM TO MR. JOHN S. HOLLADAY

SUBJECT: ORDERS

1. You are hereby authorized and directed to proceed to New Delhi, India, where you will report to the Chief, Office of Strategic Services, Southeast Asia Command, to act under the instructions of the Chief, Office of Strategic Services, Southeast Asia Command.

Approved, SAC

G. Luward Buxton
Acting Director.

APPROVED:

Morton Bodfish
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Deputy Chief, MO

APPROVED:

J. M. Scribner
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George Demas
Lt. (jg) George Demas
Acting FE Theatre
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January 18, 1941
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Mr. Howard K. Travers
Chief, Visa Division
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Travers:

I shall greatly appreciate every assistance you can give us in expediting the appearance of the Department in an application for a reentry permit consistent with the Immigration and Naturalization Service by Ambassador Brady.

We have asked the Immigration and Naturalization Service to give this application immediate attention, and I understand that it should be in your hands in the near future.

The applicant has been selected to undertake a confidential mission, and it is important that he be in a position to depart from the country as soon as possible.

I am satisfied that approval of his application by the Department would be entirely consistent with the national interest.

Because of the urgent nature of the subject's mission, it may be necessary for him to leave before the reentry permit is issued. In this case, I should greatly appreciate your arranging to have the requirement of an exit permit waived.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edward Suxton,
Acting Director

Copy to Col. Suxton

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Date 20 Jan 1941To: Col. Burton.

The attached letter, which is in usual form, requests Mr. Howard R. Travers of the State Department, to render what assistance he can in connection with a reentry permit for Mr. Blahoslav Hruby. Mr. Hruby's office has informed me that Mr. Hruby's Security has been cleared by our Security office, that an overseas Security approval had also been given and, though it has recently expired, will undoubtedly be renewed. Mr. Hruby is destined for SI work in ETO and a specific request for him has come from London.

There is no evidence that Col. Travers himself knows that Mr. Hruby will be dispatched to his theater, but this point will be clarified before Mr. Hruby's departure.

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